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In re Application of: Georg Bachmaier et al.
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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35
U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE
(DO/EO/US)

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed January 29, 2007. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit the following:

1. Copy of Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) mailed January 29, 2007; and
2. Declaration signed by the inventors.

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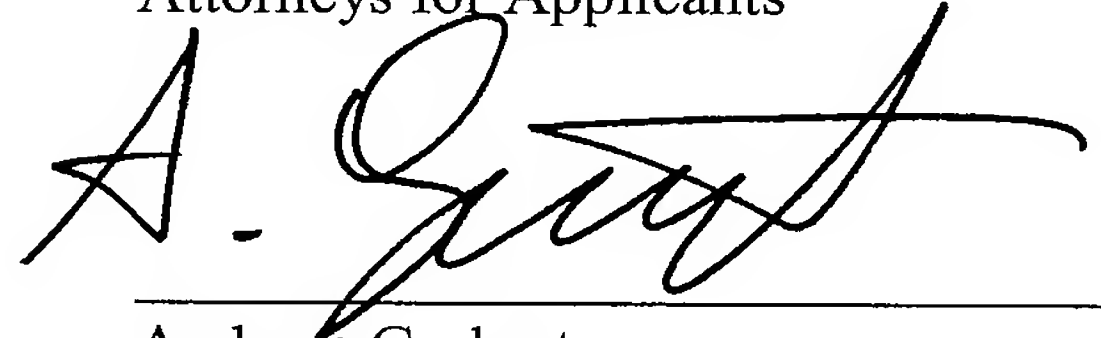
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the surcharge amount of \$130.00 for filing this Response and any additional fees necessary to effectuate this filing to Baker Botts L.L.P. deposit account number 50-2148.

Applicants believe all formality requirements are now complete. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees necessary to Deposit Account No. 50-2148 of Baker Botts L.L.P. in order to effectuate this filing.

Respectfully submitted,
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NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 03/09/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 03/09/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 03/09/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 07/10/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 03/09/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 03/09/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 03/09/2006

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Surcharge.

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The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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